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## Town Officers, 1935

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Moderator

ADIN GREEN

Clerk

LESLIE W. KNOWLES

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

DAVID F. PREBLE

LESLIE E. WHARFF

CHARLES H. LEAVITT

Treasurer

SUMNER L. HART

School Committee

EVELINA KNOWLES

CHRISTINE PACKARD

MAGGIE MERRILL

Superintendent

C. L. SIDELINGER

Fence Viewers

C. A. LEIGHTON

IRVING PREBLE

Surveyors of Lumber

DELMONT C. WESTON

LESLIE W. KNOWLES

Hearse Driver

ELWOOD I. WESTON

Ballot Clerks

MERTLE LEIGHTON R

VERA McKENNEY D

HARRY M. PRESCOTT R

CONEY E. PACKARD D

Road Commissioner

B. L. KNOWLES

Fire Warden

WILL KING

Mothers' Aid

MAGGIE MERRILL                      ANNIE B. WESTON  
AFFIE M. KNOWLES

Surveyor of Wood and Bark  
W. L. EARLEY

Sexton  
SUMNER L. HART

Constables  
SUMNER L. HART                      S. L. COOK

Sealer of Weights and Measures  
FRED M. HESCOCK

Dog Constable  
ERVIN JUDKINS

Health Officer  
W. L. EARLEY

Board of Health  
EUSTACE JUDKINS                      NETTIE GREEN

Pound Keeper  
SUMNER L. HART

Tax Collector  
SUMNER L. HART

Attendance Officer  
LESLIE W. KNOWLES

Field Driver  
EUGENE WESTON

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens  
C. A. LEIGHTON                      BURTON N. PACKARD

Auditor  
MALCOLM ARNOLD



# Town Warrant

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Piscataquis ss.

To Sumner L. Hart, a constable in the Town of Willimantic, County of Piscataquis and State of Maine,

## GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Willimantic, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at Town Hall in said Town on the 16th day of March, 1936, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year, to see if the town will accept all town reports.

Art. 3. To choose three or more Selectmen.

Art. 4. To choose three or more assessors.

Art. 5. To choose three or more overseers of the poor.

Art. 6. To choose a town treasurer.

Art. 7. To choose one of more school committee.

Art. 8. To choose one of more firewards, fix their compensation and raise a sum of money for same.

Art. 9. To choose a road commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a collector of taxes for the ensuing year, fix his compensation, and raise a sum of money therefor.

Art. 11. To choose an auditor of town books for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the town will elect one member of the municipal board of mothers aid for a term of three years.

Art. 13. To choose all other town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, repairs of roads and bridges, and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the poor. 9.00

Art. 16. To see how much money the town will raise for summer roads and bridges. 11.00

Art. 17. To see what action the town will take in regards to plowing the snow roads, season of 1936 and 1937.

Art. 18. To see how much money the town will raise for winter roads and snow fences. 9.00

Art. 19. To see how much money the town will raise for town charges. 1.00

Art. 20. To see how many weeks of school the town will vote to have for the ensuing year. 36

Art. 21. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools. 12.50

Art. 22. To see how much money the town will raise for insurance on schoolhouses. 2.50

Art. 23. To see how much money the town will raise for textbooks. 50

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will raise for school repairs.

Art. 25. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for school supplies. 20

Art. 26. To see how much money the town will raise for free high school. 5.00

Art. 27. To see how much money the town will raise for the salary of superintendent or schools.



Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to pay their school committee the same as last year and out of town charges.

Art. 29. To see how much money the town will raise for Memorial Day services and flags. 5.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid as provided in section 20 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 31. To see what sum the town will appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 173, Public Laws of 1935. 600

Art. 32. To see what sum, if any, the town would recommend to take from the joint state aid account for the purpose of applying bituminous surface treatment to state aid roads, in excess of the requirements of Section 2, Chapter 132, P. L. 1935.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will raise for cutting bushes on State Aid and third class roads under Chapter 145, P. L. 1929. 100

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for road patrol maintenance and how much for the ensuing year. 154

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will raise for maintenance of the Third Class roads under Chapter 124 P. L. 1927. 101

Art. 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the interior of No. 2 schoolhouse. 40

Art. 37. To see if the Town will designate what winter roads shall be plowed. Pan

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Merrill road, so called, for winter travel.



Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Crockett road, so called, for winter travel.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Titcomb road, so called, for winter travel. *OK*

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to discontinue winter road work, if necessary on articles 38, 39, 40.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will raise 100.00 dollars to be expended on the I. W. Titcomb road to prepare it for winter plowing. *100.00*

Art. 43. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for abatements.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the town treasurer to borrow money during the present municipal year in anticipation of and to be paid out of the taxes of the current year 1936 and 1937, and to execute and deliver the negotiable promissory note or notes of the town therefor.

Art. 45. To see what action the town will vote to take towards authorizing the treasurer and tax collector to refuse payment part or whole, on orders presented by persons indebted to the town.

Art. 46 To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to execute and deliver release deeds, or other, and transact all other business for, and pertaining to the town's interest in lands, buildings and other estate, personal and real, taken in by the town for unpaid taxes.

Art. 47. To see if the town will vote to authorize the assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the town for State Aid highways construction in excess of the amount required to meet State apportionments. *Pass*

Art. 48. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the services of a county nurse. *25*

Art. 49. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine.

Art. 50. To see if the town will vote to raise money necessary to become entitled to Federal Aid road money.

Art. 51. To see what action the town will take in regards to paying Dr. Dore's bill of 85 dollars for services and care of Miona Leighton and raise money for same.

Art. 52. To see what action the town will take in regards to the 1,000 dollar note due at Guilford Trust Co. April 23rd, 1936.

Art. 53. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of 434.50 dollars, balance due on Guy Leighton hospital and doctor's bills. 434.50

Art. 54. To see what action the town will take in purchasing Guy Leighton an artificial limb and raise money for same.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at Town Hall at nine o'clock in the forenoon on day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Willimantic this first day of March, year of 1936 A. D.

DAVID F. PREBLE

LESLIE E. WHARFF

CHARLES H. LEAVITT

Selectmen of Willimantic



# Assessors' Report

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## VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF WILLIMANTIC APRIL 1, 1935

Real estate, resident	\$37,118 00	
Real estate, non-resident	79,994 00	
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Total real estate		\$117,112 00
Personal estate, resident	\$5,867 00	
Personal estate, non-resident	595 00	
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Total amount personal estate		\$ 6,462 00
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Grand total amount		\$123,574 00

Total value of land \$85,597.00  
Total value of buildings, \$31,515.00  
No polls taxed, 65, \$195.00  
No. polls not taxed, 11  
Rate of taxation, .066

## TAXABLE LIVE STOCK

	No.	Av. Val.	Total
Horses	25	\$43 20	\$1,095 00
Cows	64	23 plus	1,497 00
3 year olds	7	22 plus	160 00
2 year olds	18	18 00	329 00
Poultry (over 50 in no.)	142	50	71 00
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Total amount of taxable live stock			\$ 3,152 00

## EXEMPT LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Val.	Total
One year old	24	\$11 plus	\$271 00
Sheep (to 35 in no.)	142	2 00	284 00
Swine (to 10 in no.)	26	8 plus	210 00
Poultry (to 50 in no.)	519	50	259 50

Total exempt live stock and poultry	\$ 1,024 50
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## ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

	No.	Value
Stock in trade	4	\$775 00
Small boats	42	910 00
Outboard motors	7	170 00
Tractors	2	150 00
Musical instruments	4	105 00
Radios	16	280 00
Gas engines	10	295 00
Light plants	5	625 00

Total amount	\$ 3,310 00
Total amount live stock and poultry	3,152 00

Total amount personal property	\$ 6,462 00
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## TOWN PROPERTY OTHER THAN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

1 road machine	
Town hall	
Hearse	
Wheel scraper	
Snow roller	
Snow plow	
Storehouse	
Piano	
2 road plows	
2 bail scrapers	
Total amount value	\$ 1,840 00



We the undersigned, assessors of the town of Willimantic, hereby certify that the following is a true list and inventory appraisals and valuation of all the polls and estates, personal and real, liable to assessments and taxation in said town of Willimantic on the first day of April, 1935 A. D.

## CASH APPROPRIATIONS

Support of schools	\$1,400 00
Support of poor	900 00
Summer roads and bridges	500 00
Winter roads and snow fence	900 00
Town charges	1,200 00
Text books	60 00
School supplies	60 00
Repair of schoolhouses	50 00
Free High school	200 00
Salary of Supt. of Schools	75 00
Memorial Day and flags	5 00
State Aid road	600 00
Third Class road maintenance	123 00
Cutting bushes State Aid and	
Third Class road	75 00
Patrol maintenance	350 00
Goodell Bridge order	275 93
Earley Bridge order	224 07
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Total	\$ 6,998 00
County tax	192 77
State tax	906 95
Overlay	253 20
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Total	\$ 8,350 92
65 poll taxes	195 00
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Assessed on real and personal estate	\$ 8,155 92
Delivered to Sumner L. Hart with	
warrant for	\$ 8,350 92

Total number of dogs,	22
Males and spades	21
Females,	1

Given under our hand at Willimantic this 23rd day  
of April, A. D. 1935.

DAVID F. PREBLE  
LESLIE E. WHARFF  
CHARLES H. LEAVITT  
Assessors of Willimantic

#### RECORD OF ABATEMENTS

Alice Harriman, 1934-35	\$ 4 74	
Guy Leighton, 1935	32 75	
B. F. Preble, 1935	7 46	
	—————\$	44 95

#### UNCOLLECTED TAXES YEAR OF 1935

W. L. Earley, 1933	\$ 155 98
Jesse Arnold, 1934	5 37
W. L. Earley, 1934	317 26
W. C. Prescott, 1934	45 42
Robert Storer	12 64
E. A. Conner and L. Frees	23 60
Jesse Arnold, 1935	4 98
W. S. Cook, 1935	6 63
S. L. Cook, '35	10 26
W. L. Earley, '35	276 97
Walter D. Green, '35	15 65
C. A. Leighton, '35	93 05
W. C. Prescott, '35	31 75
Irvin Preble, '35	9 47
Robert Storer, '35	10 56
Ernest Turner, '35	4 55
Ervin L. Judkins, '35	2 10
John Leavitt, '35	7 02
Harry Prescott, '35	49 96
E. A. Conner and L. Frees	36 23
Conner and Paul Perin	15 31



E. A. Conner	1 58	
Henry Foster	66	
Roy Litchfield	25 08	
Dan Poole	22 44	
Thomas Murphy	18 02	
Weston & Conner	6 34	
Penobscot Development Co.	1,000 00	
t		\$ 2,208 86

DAVID F. PREBLE  
 LESLIE E. WHARFF  
 CHARLES H. LEAVITT  
 Assessors of Willimantic

### SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Notes at Guilford Trust Co. for a total of \$ 2,775 93  
 Due \$1,000.00 Apr. 23, 1936  
 Due 1,000.00 Apr. 23, 1937  
 Due 775.93 Apr. 23, 1938  
 Above notes include Earley and Goodell  
 Bridge Accounts.

### DOG LICENSES

Rec'd from town clerk	\$24 00	
Unexpended Mar. 1, 1935	27 65	
Refund from State	12 96	
	—————\$	64 61
Paid State treasurer		24 00
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Unexpended Mar. 1, 1936	\$	40 61

### MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Raised by town	\$5 00	
Unexpended 1934	75	
	—————\$	5 75
Paid Leslie W. Knowles		5 00
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Unexpended year 1935	\$	75

## TOWN CHARGES

Amount raised by town	\$1,200 00	
Excise tax	121 50	
Railroad tax	1 78	
Clyde Knowles, cemetery lot, part payment	90	
Rec'd from George Haley, tax on Jewett place, '33, '34, '35	88 68	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,412 86
Overexpended Mar. 1, 1935		265 73
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Amount available Mar. 1, 1936		\$ 1.147 13

## INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT

Nettie Green, cleaning town hall	\$ 2 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, town books	9 60
Register Pub. Co., town reports	41 40
Fox Express, ERA goods	90
H. H. Hovey, express ERA	1 50
Sumner L. Hart, express ERA	2 17
H. H. Hovey, express ERA	2 00
Harry Preble, express ERA	2 75
J. S. Williams, advice	2 00
C. W. & H. M. Hayes, advice 1933	5 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, paper and stationery	3 75
C. E. Tefft, printing and posting Earley bridge	12 15
Sears, Roebuck & Co., school flags	7 03
Department Health and Welfare, Marshall Southards	113 37
Register of Deeds, transfers	1 00
Sumner L. Hart, express ERA	1 43
George E. Howard, insurance	17 50
Lionel Merriill, car hire	7 00
J. J. Folsom, grade stakes S. A. road	2 80
Starbird Express, ERA	4 81



D. F. Preble, postage, telephone, register letters	8 52
C. E. Tefft, car hire	2 00
Leslie E. Wharff, to meet State assessors	2 56
David F. Preble, to meet State assessors	2 56
Charles H. Leavitt, trip to Green- ville	2 56
David F. Preble, two trips to Greenville	5 12
Leslie W. Knowles, postage and stationery	3 50
Leslie W. Knowles, justice of the peace	2 00
Leslie W. Knowles, scaling lum- ber for Earley bridge	1 00
Leslie W. Knowles, vital statis- tics and express on ballots	4 00
J. S. Williams, legal matters	10 00
Sumner L. Hart, postage and stationery	4 25
Sumner L. Hart, trucking ERA goods and trip to Dover	5 10
Sumner L. Hart, town book, ink and stationery	3 50
Sumner L. Hart, care of cemetery	12 00
Sumner L. Hart, digging grave, Mrs. Rhoda A. Knowles	5 00
Trustee Public School Fund, 1 year interest	47 25
Sumner L. Hart, express and freight on ERA	3 09
Mary Tefft, secretary work	5 00
Interest on State road money	30 82
Interest on town notes	154 54
Interest to Hart Bros.	7 69
	<hr/> \$ 562 22

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Ervin Judkins, dog constable	\$ 5 60	
Myrtle Leighton, ballot clerk	2 56	
Charles Leavitt, services at election	2 56	
Vera McKinney, ballot clerk,	2 56	
Coney Packard, ballot clerk	2 56	
Leslie Wharff, services at election	2 56	
Leslie Knowles, clerk at election	2 56	
H. M. Prescott, ballot clerk	2 56	
Fred M. Hescocck, sealer weights and measures	5 00	
David F. Preble, election officer	2 56	
Evelina Knowles, school committee	10 00	
Christine Packard, school committee	5 00	
Maggie Merrill, school committee	5 00	
Leslie W. Knowles, clerk	5 00	
Sumner L. Hart, treasurer	75 00	
Sumner L. Hart, col. taxes for 1933-34-35 and excise tax	175 87	
Leslie E. Wharff, selectman	40 00	
David F. Preble, selectman	125 00	
Charles H. Leavitt, selectman	45 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 516 95
Incidental account	\$	562 22
Town officers bills		516 95
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Total expended	\$	1,079 17
Unexpended Mar. 1, 1936	\$	67 96

## OUTSTANDING BILLS

School fund, Town of Willimantic	\$ 787 50
Guilford Trust Co., town notes	2,775 93

## RESOURCES

Cash on hand	\$1,013 05	
Due town on unpaid taxes 1933	155 98	
Due town on unpaid taxes 1934	404 29	
Due town on unpaid taxes 1935	1,645 61	
Tax deed	10 00	
	<hr/>	3,231 93

**OVERSEERS OF THE POOR**

Rec'd from Matilda Chamberlain	\$ 30 00
Amount raised by town	900 00
Unexpended 1934	150 45
Rec'd from State on Hazel P.	
Warren account	33 02

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Amount available for 1935                      \$ 1,113 47

**Mrs. Matilda Chamberlain Account**

Douglass Store	\$ 6 64
Bruce Packard	1 92
Arthur Bessey	1 50
Rexford Turner	1 00
Douglass Store	6 89
Elwood Weston	4 16
Mildred Abbott	5 00
Douglass Store	4 83
Mildred Abbott	15 00
Louisa Fifield	98
Mildred Abbott	5 00
Mildred Abbott	5 00
Mildred Abbott	10 00
Mildred Abbot	20 00
Mildred Abbott	25 00
Ernest Turner	6 87
R. C. Stuart, M. D.	8 00
Annie B. Weston	5 00
Annie B. Weston	21 75
Earl Palmer	3 60

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\$ 158 14

**Mrs. Lillian Hathaway Account**

Arthur Bessey	\$ 2 00
Greenville Water Co.	9 75
D. T. Sanders	24 00
Greenville Water Co.	3 25
D. T. Sanders	80 00
Percy Leighton	3 00

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\$ 122 00



## Aid to Soldiers and Sailors

Ivan Leighton	\$ 2 04	
Ella Leighton	1 25	
Douglass Store	4 12	
Weatherbee Plumbing Co.	2 60	
Ella Leighton	1 00	
Ivan Leighton	1 50	
Louisa Fifield	9 35	
Louisa Fifield	9 34	
Sumner L. Hart	4 93	
Louisa Fifield	1 31	
Ivan Leighton	3 65	
Louisa Fifield	1 73	
Louisa Fifield	11 80	
Ivan Leighton	1 85	
L. G. Patterson	5 70	
Louisa Fifield	12 30	
Louisa Fifield	18 95	
E. T. Green	2 50	
Louisa Fifield	18 45	
L. G. Patterson	4 50	
Grethel Leighton	75	
Ivan Leighton	1 65	
E. T. Green	4 50	
T. K. Store	1 70	
B. N. Packard	8 86	
	<hr/>	\$ 136 33

## Hazel P. Warren Account (State)

Douglass Store	\$5 21	
Douglass Store	9 17	
Sumner L. Hart	3 15	
Douglass Store	6 75	
Douglass Store	1 66	
Montgomery Ward Co.	3 55	
Sumner L. Hart	30	
	<hr/>	\$ 29 79
Rec'd from State for 1934-35	\$	33 02
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Unexpended balance from 1934	\$	3 23

## Clyde Leighton Family Account

Town of Guilford	\$43 65	
Elsie Poole	32 00	
Town of Guilford	17 14	
Town of Guilford	31 07	
Town of Guilford	5 04	
Town of Guilford	5 04	
	<hr/>	\$ 133 94

## Frank Damon Family Account

City of Brewer	\$ 197 38
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## Guy Leighton Account

Guilford Hosital	\$174 25	
Guilford Hospital	130 50	
E. E. Ross	2 40	
	<hr/>	\$ 307 15

Total expenditures of Poor Account	\$ 1,084 73
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Unexpended	\$ 28 74
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## Statement of Guy Leighton's Expenses

Guilford Hospital	\$392 25	
Dr. R. H. Marsh	64 00	
E. E. Ross	2 40	
Dr. G. E. Dore	283 00	

Total	\$ 741 65
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Paid	\$ 307 15
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Balance unpaid	\$ 434 50
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DAVID F. PREBLE

LESLIE E. WHARFF

CHARLES H. LEAVITT

Overseers of the Poor

## Road Commissioner's Report

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Amount raised by town	\$500 00	
Overexpended 1934	197 31	
	<hr style="width: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"/> \$	302 69
Overexpended 1935		676 80
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	\$	979 49

### EXPENDED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES

Transferred to 50-50 account	\$50 28
Kenneth Knowles, labor	6 08
Merle Hill, labor	2 88
Kenneth Knowles, labor	7 68
B. L. Knowles, labor and team	16 32
Clyde Knowles, labor	5 12
S. A. Anderson, team	7 68
M. D. Knowles, cutting bushes	12 80
Bruce Packard, cutting bushes	10 24
Adin Green, cutting bushes	10 24
Clyde Knowles, cutting bushes	2 56
John McKenney, cutting bushes	7 68
Rex Turner, truck	26 88
Clyde Knowles, labor	12 80
Adin Green, labor	7 68
Arthur Bessey, labor	7 68
Lynwood Leighton, truck	26 88
Ivan Leighton, truck	17 92
M. D. Knowles, labor	8 96
C. A. Leighton, labor	7 68



Kenneth Knowles, labor	5 12	
B. L. Knowles, labor and team	20 72	
Will Cook, team	15 36	
S. A. Anderson, team	17 89	
Ivan Leighton, gravel	12 10	
Elwood Weston, labor and team	25 60	
Clyde Knowles, labor	3 20	
S. A. Anderson, team	10 24	
M. D. Knowles, labor	3 20	
Ivan Leighton, truck	6 72	
Lynwood Leighton, truck	6 72	
Arthur Bessey, labor	1 92	
Adin Green, labor	1 92	
Kenneth Knowles, labor	1 92	
I. W. Titcomb, cutting bushes	6 40	
Raymond Young, labor	2 56	
George H. Young, labor	2 56	
Merle Hill, labor	2 80	
C. A. Leighton, labor	2 80	
Lynwood Leighton, truck	8 96	
Dan Lamont, cutting bushes	46 08	
Guy Leighton, labor	1 28	
Lionel Merrill, labor	3 30	
Charles Tefft, labor	2 56	
D. F. Preble, labor	2 56	
Clarence Turner, labor and gravel	3 76	
D. F. Preble, labor	3 84	
Charles Tefft, labor	3 84	
Lynwood Leighton, truck	4 48	
R. B. Dunning, tools	27 10	
J. W. Sears, labor on drills	1 60	
I. W. Titcomb, labor	2 52	
Ivan Leighton, truck	8 96	
D. C. Weston, labor	17 92	
D. C. Weston, labor	2 56	
George E. Young, labor	2 56	
	<hr/> \$	539 97

## JACKSON BRIDGE ACCOUNT

C. A. Leighton, labor	\$10 88
Merle Hill, labor	7 68
Rex Turner, labor and lumber	17 41
Clarence Turner, labor	10 24
C. A. Leighton, labor	4 73
Elwin Leighton, labor	6 40
Merle Hill, labor	2 56
John Scales & Sons, spikes	1 14

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\$ 61 04

## EARLEY BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Rex Turner, truck	\$ 2 24
John McKenney, timber	7 68
M. D. Knowles, labor	7 68
P. W. Merrill, plank	63 00
Rex Turner, timber	16 13
Rex Turner, truck	4 48
S. A. Anderson, team	10 24
I. W. Titcomb, labor	15 00
Arthur Bessey, labor	18 00
John McKenney, labor	18 00
Irving Preble, labor	15 00
D. F. Preble, labor	12 00
Rex Turner, truck	6 00
P. D. Co., lumber	2 70
John Scales & Sons, material	2 17
G. P. Pullen, nails	1 38
A. W. Pfuntner, material	7 00
W. E. Dean, lumber	62 70
B. M. Packard & Son, nails	4 20
W. L. Earley, labor and material	13 88
Arthur Bessey, labor	18 00
I. W. Titcomb, labor	18 00
John McKenney, labor	15 00
I. W. Titcomb, labor	18 00
D. F. Preble, labor	18 00
John McKenney, labor	18 00

Arthur Bessey, labor	18 00	
D. F. Preble, labor	18 00	
I. W. Titcomb, labor	12 00	
Arthur Bessey, labor	12 00	
John McKenney, labor	12 00	
D. F. Preble, labor	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 378 48
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		\$ 979 49

## 50-50 ROAD ACCOUNT

Appro. from Summer Road money	\$50 28	
Recd. from State	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 100 28
C. A. Leighton, labor	\$13 12	
B. L. Knowles, team and labor	23 72	
Arthur Bessey, labor	5 12	
C. A. Leighton, labor	7 68	
Ivan Leighton, truck	31 36	
C. A. Leighton, labor	8 96	
C. A. Leighton, labor	2 56	
Arthur Bessey, labor	2 56	
H. S. Goodell, gravel	5 20	
	<hr/>	\$ 100 28

CUTTING BUSHES ON STATE AID AND THIRD  
CLASS ROAD

Amount raised by town	\$75 00	
Overexpended 1934	7 98	
	<hr/>	\$ 67 12
Overexpended 1935		6 96
		<hr/>
		\$ 74 08

John McKenney, labor	\$10 24
E. T. Green, labor	12 80
E. T. Green, labor	7 68
Charlie Leavitt, labor	24 32
P. W. Merrill, labor	1 12
E. T. Green, labor	5 12



Adin Green, labor	2 56	
M. D. Knowles, labor	2 56	
L. E. Wharff, labor	7 68	
	<hr/>	\$ 74 08

## STATE AID MAINTENANCE AT LEDGE HILL

Amount recd. from State	\$27 00	
Overexpended 1934	30	
	<hr/>	\$ 26 70
Overexpended 1935		18
		<hr/>
		\$ 26 88

B. L. Knowles, labor	\$4 50	
P. W. Merrill, labor	1 58	
C. A. Leighton, labor	2 80	
Lynwood Leighton, truck	9 00	
Ivan Leighton, truck	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 26 88

## STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$600 00	
Recd. from State	1,995 00	
Balance unexpended 1934	10 67	
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Joint fund 1935	\$	2,605 67
Overexpended 1935		95
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	\$	2,606 62

## Expenditures

Pay roll, No. 1	\$374 10
Pay roll, No. 2	511 80
Pay roll No. 3	585 80
Pay roll, No. 4	402 50
Pay roll, No. 5	371 20
Pay roll, No. 6	81 00
Pay roll, No. 7	48 30
Louise Fifield, kerosene	2 25
Laforest Rogers, gravel	99 80
H. S. Goodell, gravel	42 60
P. D. Co., earth barrow	10 00

Monson Me. Slate Co., explosives	7 00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	40 27	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,576 62
10 p. c. cut not appropriated on last unit		30 00
		<hr/>
		\$ 2,606 62

## THIRD CLASS ROAD ACCOUNT 1935

Amount raised by town	\$123 00	
Recd. from State	559 20	
Appro. from overlay	64 15	
	<hr/>	\$ 746 35

## Expenditures

Pay roll, No. 1	\$141 30	
Pay roll, No. 2	258 30	
Pay roll, No. 3	28 00	
Pay roll, No. 4	256 80	
Pay roll, No. 5	30 90	
Hugh Goodell ,gravel	16 00	
Monson Me. Slate Co., explosives	10 05	
Silvia Greeley, material	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 746 35

## THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE 1935

Appro. from overlay	\$	10 40
Ivan Leighton, truck	9 00	
C. A. Leighton, labor	1 40	
	<hr/>	\$ 10 40

## WINTER ROADS

Amount raised by town	\$	900 00
Spring of 1935		
L. G. Patterson, labor rolling	\$12 60	
S. A. Anderson, labor rolling	12 60	
C. A. Leighton, labor	1 00	
Merle Hill, labor	84	
George W. Young, labor	84	
C. A. Leighton, labor	1 00	
Lynwood Leighton, labor	1 50	
I. W. Titcomb, labor	2 52	

L. W. Knowles, labor	2 52	
Merle Hill, labor	2 52	
George H. Young, labor	2 52	
Kenneth Knowles, labor	2 52	
M. D. Knowles, labor	2 52	
Clyde Knowles, labor	2 52	
S. A. Anderson, labor	2 52	
M. D. Knowles, labor	3 52	
Rex Turner, labor	10 72	
	<hr/>	\$ 67 28
Dan Lamont, labor	\$ 8 96	
Lionel Merrill, labor and truck	21 52	
Charles Tefft, labor	8 96	
D. F. Preble, labor	11 52	
R. B. Dunning Co., coil wire	4 50	
D. F. Preble, labor	1 28	
Charles Tefft, labor	1 28	
Lionel Merrill, labor	4 28	
R. B. Dunning Co., snow fence	48 75	
Lionel Merrill, labor	2 92	
Charles Tefft, labor	1 92	
P. W. Merrill, labor	5 12	
Lawrence Young, labor	5 12	
Lionel Merrill, labor	5 12	
S. A. Anderson, team	35 84	
Clarence Turner, labor	3 84	
Irving Preble, labor	2 56	
Mrs. Mary B. Tefft, snow contract	\$ 2 50	
D. F. Preble, labor	8 96	
D. C. Weston, labor	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 194 95
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		262 23
Amount left for plowing		637 77
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		\$ 900 00

BURTON L. KNOWLES,  
Road Commissioner



## SNOW PLOWING 1935

Amount available	\$637 77	
Recd. from State, snow removal and fence	550 50	
Unexpended on snow road	26 24	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,214 51
Oscar A. Partinen	\$411 90	
Oscar A. Partinen	202 20	
Edward Muzzey	115 00	
Oscar A. Partinen	411 30	
Edward Muzzey	115 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,255 40
Overexpended 1935		<hr/> \$ 40 89

DAVID F. PREBLE  
 LESLIE E. WHARFF  
 CHARLES H. LEAVITT  
 Selectmen of Willimantic

## BUDGET FOR 1936

Roads and bridges	\$1,000 00
Winter roads and snow fence	900 00
Support of the poor	900 00
Town charges	1,000 00
Memorial services and flags	5 00
Cutting bushes, State Aid and 3rd Class	90 00
Patrol maintenance	354 00

## Treasurer's Report

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1935		Dr.	
Mar.	1	Cash and check account	\$ 797 46
May	8	State Treas., soldier pension	30 97
	14	State Treas., porcupine bounty	93 25
		Clyde Knowles, part payment cemetery lot	90
June	4	Town clerk, dog licenses	24 00
July	13	State Treas., highway 50-50	49 87
	26	State Treas., Hazel P. Warren	33 02
	27	State Treas., snow removal	514 50
		State Treas., snow fence	36 00
Aug.	30	Guilford Trust Co., to pay order	1,000 00
Sept.	13	Guilford Trust Co., to pay order	1,000 00
Oct.	16	W. L. Earley, tax deed of 1932 in full	83 24
	18	George Haley, tax on John G. Jewett property 1933-34-35	88 68
Nov.	10	Matilda Chamberlain, on note, part	30 00
	20	State Treas., highway Ledge Hill	13 44
Dec.	3	State Treas., State Aid road	2,005 92
		State Treas., Dog license refund	12 96
		State Treas., State School fund	893 73
		State Treas., R. R. & Tel. tax	1 78
	19	State Treas., 3rd Class road	559 20
1936			
		Treas. of Public School Fund, int.	51 75
		Teacher Comp. Act	15 20
		Excise tax automobiles	121 50

Taxes year 1933	68 41
Taxes year 1934	1,903 64
Taxes year 1935	6,682 14
Interest Cemetery Trust Fund	2 94
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	\$16,114 50

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Mar. 12	Guilford Trust Co., on order	\$ 500 00
June 10	State Treas., dog licenses	24 00
Sept. 27	County Treas., county tax	192 77
Dec. 3	State Treas., patrol maintenance	354 90
6	Guilford Trust Co., on note of Aug. 30 and Sept. 13	1,597 00
	State Treas., State tax	906 95
20	Guilford Trust Co., bal. of note Aug. 30 and Sept. 13	403 00
	Guilford Trust Co., int. in 1935	185 36
	Hart Bros., int.	7 69
	Soldier's pension	30 97
	Paid orders	10,883 61
	Teachers Comp. Act	15 20
	Cash to balance	1,013 05
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		\$ 16,114 50

SUMNER L. HART, Treasurer



**REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUST FUND 1935**

	Amt. fund	Int.	Exp.	Unexp.
Ann Hatheway	\$50 00	\$1 14	\$1 14	
Mrs. A. D. Stilson	25 00	56	56	
Florence M. Jackson	25 00	56	56	
Alice J. Norton	25 00	68	56	\$ 12

SUMNER L. HART, Treasurer

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND**

March 1, 1936, How invested.

Town of Willimantic	\$787 50	
Verdell A. Leighton	75 00	
Depositors' Trust Co.	581 54	
State Trust Co.	227 58	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,671 62

Interest collected March 1, 1935 to March 1, 1936

Town of Willimantic	\$47 25	
Verdell A. Leighton	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 51 75
Transferred to Common School Fund	\$	51 75

In March received from Mrs. Christine Packard \$5.00 to be added to School Fund, and same was deposited in Depositors' Trust Co. One dividend from State from State Trust Co. of \$75.86. This is now seventy per cent.

SUMNER L. HART, Treasurer

## Report of Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Willimantic:

I submit herewith my annual report as your superintendent of schools. In this annual report I shall attempt to give to you, somewhat briefly, general information in regard to the condition of your schools and make a few suggestions for their needs.

This information in regard to tax rates may be used by the voters to see how the tax rates for the town compare with like tax rates for the state. This year the average of the school rates for the state is .01171 while the average of the municipal rates is .05535. These figures will determine the right of the several towns to participate in the Equalization Fund to be allotted next December. The purpose of this fund is especially to assist towns where the school maintenance and municipal rates equal or exceed the average of the rates for the state,

The school rate for Willimantic is .0137 while the municipal rate is .066. These rates, as you can see, exceed the average of the rates for the state, so the town may receive a small sum from the Equalization Fund this coming year.

There is now some discussion of a new state plan for financing the public schools. Under the plan the state is to guarantee to every community a decent minimum educational program on a reasonable rate of taxation. The plan is based on the idea that tax on real property as the major source of income for school support is no

longer equitable, that income must come from a larger source, and that it be distributed on the basis of actual school needs.

### SCHOOL PROGRESS

During the past year there has been no radical change or departure from the established school program. Due to the fact that the teachers have been connected with the schools for some time and have become acquainted with their procedure and practice the school work has proceeded efficiently and without interruption. The enrollment in the three schools for this year is only thirty-two as compared with the enrollment of thirty-five last year. The enrollment at Number One School for last year fell below the required average attendance of eight. Very likely the school will maintain an average attendance of eight for this year. Any way I think the voters should take some special action this year that the committee may legally maintain the school in case the average attendance should fall below the required average attendance of eight pupils.

We are told that during the past three or four years many communities have been curtailing expenditures for textbooks, supplies and equipment. It may be that in many instances lack of proper material in a schoolroom is due more to the fact that citizens do not really understand what is needed in a modern school than through lack of ability to supply the need. One should realize that it is more or less a waste of money to expect to secure the best results on the part of the teachers when they lack proper textbooks and equipment with which to work. While we have been doing very well in your schools with the textbooks and supplies you have made it possible for us to obtain, the schools are not equipped as a modern school should be.

Books are one of the basic tools of learning and it is quite essential that they be of the later edition. If a



school is to keep its list of textbooks up-to-date it is necessary to plan for changes each year. By following some definite plan changes could be made in all textbooks at least once every five years. This regular changing of textbooks would make very little extra cost for books as five years is about as long as most books will last in any schoolroom.

There are now eight pupils from the town attending some high or secondary school and whose tuitions are being paid by the town. It may be that there will be as many as eleven pupils to attend some high or secondary school this coming year. In case there are that number to attend such schools about seven hundred fifty dollars will be needed for tuition purposes for this coming year. At least two hundred fifty dollars should be raised this year for tuitions.

### SCHOOL FUNDS

In the January issue of the Maine State School Bulletin the Commissioner of Education mentions the need for increased appropriations being made available for the support of public schools. In many communities, it seems, teachers' wages are ridiculously low, and in many instances there is a distressing lack of suitable textbooks and well nigh absence of reference books and necessary equipment like maps, globes and charts. The people of Willimantic have been doing much better for their schools than the Commissioner of Education reports for some of the other communities. I feel that the citizens of the town consider it their duty, as well as their responsibility, to provide fairly well for the needs of the schools.

There are now eight pupils from the town attending what should prove reasonable amounts for you to raise at this time for the support of your schools. The expenditures for teachers' wages will be somewhat larger for this coming year than they have been for the past year. This is because the new school schedule adopted

and which brings a school vacation in February cut the number of weeks of school in this municipal year to thirty-four. Next year there will be the usual thirty-six weeks in the municipal year.

The usual appropriations should be made for textbooks and school supplies. I have already explained the need for changes in textbooks. This coming year I think we should plan to change the textbooks in Arithmetic and purchase some additional books to be used as supplementary readers. Very likely the cost for school supplies will be somewhat larger this coming year than it has been for this past year. The appropriations I have suggested will only provide for the necessary textbooks and school supplies. We will still be without funds with which to purchase reference books and desirable equipment.

The insurance policy on the Number 3 school building expires this year. An appropriation should be made at this time so that a new policy may be obtained.

I hardly know what to suggest in regard to school repairs. There is no question about the need of something being done at the Number 2 building. In this case it is not easy to say just what should be done. The windows are in rather poor condition, so it might be advisable to start with new windows. Then fix up the walls and ceilings in the rooms. I am afraid it will prove to be quite a costly job by the time it is finished.

### SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1936-1937

#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Estimate for expenditures:

Teachers' wages	\$1,730 00
Fuel account	165 00
Janitor account	130 00
	—————\$ 2,025 00

## Estimate for receipts:

State School Fund	\$425 00
Interest receipts	50 00
To be raised by town	1,550 00
	<hr/> \$ 2,025 00

## List of Appropriations suggested:

Elementary School Account	\$ 1,550 00
High School Account	250 00
Free Textbook Account	60 00
School Supply Account	60 00
School Insurance Account	37 50
School Repairs Account	25 00
Health Nurse Account	25 00
Superintendent of Schools, salary	100 00

Under the heading of Financial Statements may be found detailed information as to funds raised by the town for school purposes, the funds received from the state, together with all expenditures made during the municipal year.

Respectfully submitted

C. L. SIDELINGER

February 22, 1936.

Superintendent of Schools.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 1935-1936

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

### Receipts

Unexpended, 1934	\$ 335 50
Raised by town	1,400 00
State School Fund	431 40
Interest Receipts	51 75
	<hr/> \$ 2,218 65

### Expenditures

#### Teachers' wages:

Arlene M. Merrill	\$544 00
Gertrude A. Stanchfield	544 00
Kathleen M. Earley	112 00
Geneva Campbell	432 00
	<hr/> \$ 1,632 00



## Fuel account:

B. M. Packard & Son	\$40 65	
P. W. Merrill	30 87	
Mrs. Maggie Merrill	5 00	
L. L. Merrill	5 00	
H. M. Prescott	3 75	
E. T. Green	48 75	
	<hr/>	\$ 134 02

## Janitor account:

School janitors	\$110 50	
Cleaning schoolrooms	19 25	
Janitor supplies	8 40	
	<hr/>	\$ 138 15

Unexpended, 1935	\$	314 48
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Total funds available	\$	2,218 65
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## HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Unexpended, 1934	\$281 56	
Raised by town	200 00	
State School Fund	459 33	
	<hr/>	\$ 940 89

## Expenditures

## Higgins Classical Institute:

Philip Earley	\$100 00	
William Earley, Jr.	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 200 00

## Monson Academy:

Maxine Leighton	\$75 00	
Neil Patterson	45 00	
Reginald Leighton	30 00	
Dana Knowles	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 180 00

## Town of Guilford:

Paul Patterson	\$40 00	
Evelyn Leighton	40 00	
Marguerite Packard	40 00	
Elwin Leighton	70 00	
Charlotte Anderson	70 00	
Marjorie Leavitt	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 290 00
Unexpended, 1935		\$ 270 89
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		\$ 940 89

## FREE TEXTBOOK ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Unexpended, 1934	\$ 4 29	
Raised by town	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 64 29

## Expenditures

Ginn and Company	\$31 96	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	6 64	
American Book Co.	6 43	
Charles Scribner's Sons	8 96	
	<hr/>	\$ 53 99
Unexpended, 1935		\$ 10 30
		<hr/>
		\$ 64 29

## SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Unexpended, 1934	\$ 4 57	
Raised by town	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 64 57

## Expenditures

Office expenses	\$11 10	
Supply of school papers	17 28	
School material	17 65	
	<hr/>	\$ 46 03
Unexpended, 1935		\$ 18 54
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		\$ 64 57

## SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Unexpended 1934	\$52 04	
Raised by town	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 102 04

## Expenditures

Labor	\$7 35	
Material	5 57	
Freight	1 08	
	<hr/>	\$ 14 00
Unexpended, 1935	\$	88 04
	<hr/>	\$ 102 04

## SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Unexpended, 1934	\$10 50	
Raised by town	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 85 50

## Expenditures

C. L. Sidelinger, salary	\$84 00	
Unexpended, 1935	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 85 50

## Town Clerk's Report

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### BIRTHS REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC DURING MUNICIPAL YEAR 1935

1936

- Jan. 13 Halden Leighton Young, son of George H.  
and Miona Young.
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### DEATHS REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC DURING MUNICIPAL YEAR 1935

1935

- Feb. 18 James H. Leavitt, aged 84 yrs., 4 mo., of in-  
testinal obstruction. Reported by Dr. O.  
R. Emerson of Newport, Maine.
- Mar. 18 Lillian G. Frost, aged 81 yrs., 3 mos., 9 das.  
of senility. Reported by Dr. R. H. Marsh,  
Guilford.
- May 3 Rhoda Annie Knowles, of heart lesion.  
Reported by Dr. R. H. Marsh, Guilford.
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### MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN WILLIMANTIC MUNICIPAL YEAR 1935

- June 25 Lawrence A. Young and Irene Iola Merrill, at  
Brownville by Rev. Alexander Loudor.
- July 21 Leslie E. Wharff and Elinor B. Christensen,  
at Milo by Rev. Horace H. Hayes.
- Aug. 10 Adin A. Green and Katherin B. Knowles, at  
Monson by Rev. Martin Sorensen.
- Feb. 1 J. Sevey Prescott and Elizabeth K. McKen-  
ney, at Willimantic by Leslie W. Knowles,  
Justice of the Peace.
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No. dogs licensed, 20.

LESLIE W. KNOWLES, Town Clerk.









## Preserve This Report

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A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.